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AMENDMENT; RESPONSE TO SPECIES **ELECTION DATED JANUARY 27, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the requirement for election of species dated January 27, 2003, for which the date for response is February 27, 2003.

The Examiner is requested to enter the following amendment to claim 113, which is to correct a typographical error, and is also requested to consider and enter the accompanying election of species.

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